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20. (Amended) A diagnostic agent containing the peptide according to claim 1, its pharmacologically active fragments [according to claim 2 or antibodies according to claim 8], or an antibody obtainable by immunizing an animal with said peptide and/or its pharmacologically active fragments and/or by using hybridoma technology for test systems for checking the levels of this substance in tissues, plasma, urine and cerebrospinal liquor.

REMARKS

The present claims are 1-21.

By the instant Amendment the claims are rewritten to eliminate multiple dependencies and to more clearly define the instant invention.

Favorable action commensurate with the foregoing is requested.

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